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Thank you a lot for your kindness in forwarding me your letter of 6 January 1949 together with the copy of the translation of a letter from Somoza. His remarks are very interesting and very instructive. I first became acquainted with him when he was lovernor of Leon back in 1927, and I am in wholehearted accord with your statement that he is nobody's fool and that he speaks his mind rather plainly.

This bit of information is most valuable to us, and I want to thank you again for your kindness in sending it on.

With the very best of wishes for 1949, please believe me,

Sincerely,

Signed & dispatched 1/11/49

R. H. Hillenkoetter Rear Admiral, USN Director of Central Intelligence

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